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PETER WEIGEL et al.

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The German foreign priority number is incorrect "10 2004 007 <u>3</u>18.9" should be -- 10 2004 007 <u>6</u>18.9--. Please correct the Foreign Application Section to read as follows:

--Foreign Applications

GERMANY 10 2004 007 618.9 02/17/2004--

Evidence supporting this correction is attached hereto on page 2 of the executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 30, 2007, as well as on the cover page of the Published International Application.

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Respectfully submitted,

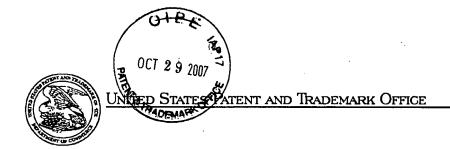
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is attached hereto; and

X is a filing under 35 USC 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP2005/001632 filed 17 February 2005.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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(54) Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING NON-WOVENS, A CORRESPONDING NON-WOVEN AND THE PRODUCTION THEREOF

- (54) Bezeichnung: VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG VON VLIESSTOFFEN, VLIESSTOFF UND DESSEN VERWENDUNG
- (57) Abstract: The invention concerns a method for producing non-wovens during which a cellulose carbamate solution is spun by means of extrusion through a nozzle block having a number of openings into a precipitation bath to form a number of endless threads and, afterwards, is mingled by subjecting it to a flow of a gaseous medium and/or fluid. The invention also concerns a non-woven of the aforementioned type and the use thereof.
- (57) Zusammenfassung: Die Erfindung betrifft ein Verfahren zur Herstellung von Vliesstoffen, bei dem eine Cellulosecarbamat-Lösung mittels Extrusion durch einen mehrere Öffnungen enthaltenden Düsenblock in ein Fällbad zu mehreren Endlosfäden versponnen wird, die im Anschluss durch Anströmen mit gasförmigen Medium und/oder Fluid verwirbelt wird. Ebenso betrifft die Erfindung einen derartigen Vliesstoff sowie dessen Verwendung.

